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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered into the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 3, 5, 7, 9, and 10 as originally filed with the amended claims as follows:

A1 Sub B27 --3. (Amended) The specimen holder (1) as defined in Claim 1, wherein a spacer ring (9) fabricated from metal is provided between the shaped parts (2; 3).

A2 Sub B47 5. (Amended) The specimen holder (1) as defined in Claim 1, wherein the other shaped part (3) is fabricated from metal, is of disk-shaped configuration, and comprises a shaped-on bead (8) running around the rim.

A3 Sub B67 7. (Amended) The specimen holder (1) as defined in Claim 3, wherein gold or aluminum or copper is used the metal.

A4 Sub B87 9. (Amended) The specimen holder (1) as defined in Claim 1, wherein the diamond is configured as polycrystalline CVD diamond.